AllEarth Rail's Remarkable Budd Cars

Who We Are

AllEarth Rail is a regional passenger railroad holding company based in Williston, Vermont. We invested in a fleet of self-propelled Budd rail diesel cars (RDCs) which were refurbished in the mid 1990s for commuter passenger service in Dallas, TX.

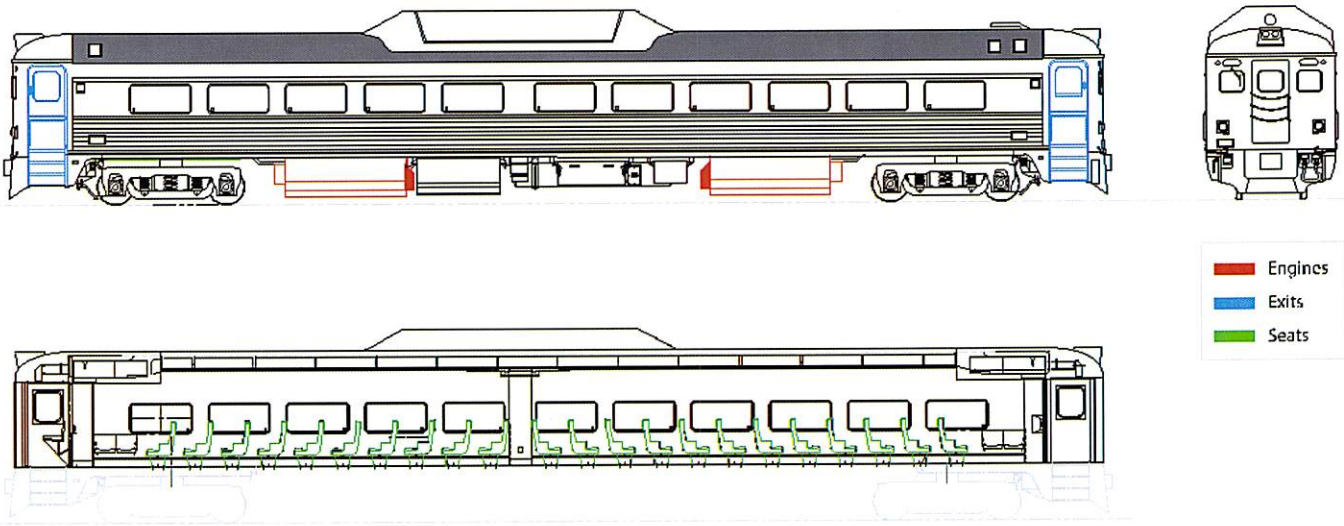
The Budd Car Advantage

These bi-directional railcars were designed for rural passenger service. The Budd cars are fuel efficient, safe, and practical with proven record of safety and reliability. Their individual motorization means there's no need for costly locomotives and turn-around rail yards, allowing for a passenger focused and planet-friendly means of transportation. Each RDC has:

- 94 passenger seating capacity
- Individual motorization
- 2 EPA certified 360 horsepower diesel engines
- 2+ miles per gallon
- 85mph top speed
- 0-44 mph in 60 seconds

The Budd Company History

In 1949, the Budd Company of Philadelphia introduced the RDC. This was a remarkable new self-propelled passenger car, providing service on regional and moderate demand routes. Between 1949 and 1962, Budd completed 398 RDC cars for 32 different railroads from the harsh winters in Canada to the diverse terrain of Australia. However, most of Budd's RDCs remained in the United States.



Budd Cars Currently Operating

RDC cars continue to be used in demanding daily service in northern Ontario on VIA Rail Canada's line between Sudbury and White River, Ontario. Similarly, the Amtrak fleet in the northeastern United States consists of Budd "Amfleet" cars built between 1973-1978. Since 2016, The Berkshire Scenic Railroad in Massachusetts has been operating an RDC car on excursions between North Adams and Adams each weekend, operating on track also used by Pan American Southern Freight trains as well.

Our Budd Cars

AllEarth Rail acquired a fleet of former VIA Rail Canada RDCs that served commuters on the Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) line between 1996 and 2012. These RDCs were built in 1955, and were completely refurbished in the mid 90s for DART service. These cars look and run like new.

Lease Opportunities

Our vision is ultimately a passenger rail network that connects Vermont's cities and towns through an integrated public transportation service. In the interim, however, a portion of the AllEarth Rail fleet is available for short-term and long-term leasing. For more information on leasing opportunities please contact:

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